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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA (MISSOULA DIVISION)

CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

**DEB HAALAD**, et al.,

Defendants;

and

Lead Case No. CV 20-181-M-DWM

Member Case No. CV 20-183-M-DWM

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**STATE OF IDAHO**, an Idaho nonprofit corporation;

Defendant-Intervenor;

and

**IDAHO STATE SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION, INC.**, an Idaho nonprofit corporation; **IDAHO** RECREATION COUNCIL, INC., an Idaho nonprofit corporation; **COLORADO SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION**, a Colorado nonprofit organization; BACKCOUNTRY SLED PATRIOTS, a Montana nonprofit organization; CITIZENS **OFR BALANCED USE**, a Montana nonprofit organization; UNITED **SNOWMOBILE ALLIANCE**, a New Hampshire nonprofit organization; AMERICAN COUNCIL OF SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATIONS, a Michigan nonprofit organization; OFF ROAD BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, a California nonprofit organization; **COLORADO OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE COALITION**, a Colorado nonprofit organization; TRAILS PRESERVATION ALLIANCE, a Colorado nonprofit organization; UNITED FOUR WHEEL DRIVE **ASSOCIATION**, a California nonprofit organization; **CLEARWATER COUNTY BOARD** OF COMMISSIONERS, a political subdivision of the State of Idaho; IDAHO COUNTY BOARD OF **COMMISSIONERS**, a political subdivision of the State of Idaho;

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**BONNER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**, a political subdivision of the State of Idaho; VALLEY COUNTY BOARD OF **COMMISSIONERS**, a political subdivision of the State of Idaho; ADAMS COUNTY BOARD OF **COMMISSIONERS**, a political subdivision of the State of Idaho; LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF **COMMISSIONERS**, a political subdivision of the State of Montana; MINERAL COUNTY BOARD OF **COMMISSIONERS**, a political subdivision of the State of Montana; RAVALLI COUNTY BOARD OF **COMMISSIONERS**, a political subdivision of the State of Montana;

Applicants for Intervention.

COME NOW the Applicants for Intervention – IDAHO STATE SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION, INC., an Idaho nonprofit corporation; IDAHO RECREATION COUNCIL, INC., an Idaho nonprofit corporation; COLORADO SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION, a Colorado nonprofit organization; BACKCOUNTRY SLED PATRIOTS, a Montana nonprofit organization; CITIZENS OFR BALANCED USE, a Montana nonprofit organization; UNITED SNOWMOBILE ALLIANCE, a New Hampshire nonprofit organization; AMERICAN COUNCIL OF SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATIONS, a Michigan nonprofit organization; OFF ROAD BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, a California MOTION TO INTERVENE AS PARTY-DEFENDANTS, OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE, TO APPEAR AS AMICUS CURIAE – Page 3

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Good cause and proper grounds exist for entry of the relief requested by this Motion by reason of the facts, circumstances and legal principles set forth in the Declaration in Support of Motion to Intervene as Party-Defendants, or in the Alternative, to Appear as Amicus Curiae and the Memorandum in Support of Motion to Intervene as Party-Defendants, or in the Alternative to Appear as Amicus Curiae, which are filed herewith. Further, notice is hereby provided that if the requested intervention is granted, Applicants intend to file an Answer as its initial pleading in the form and substance of that submitted herewith as **Exhibit A**.

Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1(c), counsel of record for the Plaintiffs, Defendants and Intervenor State of Idaho were contacted regarding this motion. Counsel for Plaintiffs and Federal Defendants stated that they take no position until they have an opportunity to review Applicants' motion to intervene and they may file a response to the same. Counsel for Intervenor State of Idaho stated that it would not oppose Applicants' motion to intervene.

The undersigned certifies that this Motion, and supporting documents, is being served upon the existing parties to this action, at the time of filing, pursuant to Rule 5 of the FEDERAL RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE.

// // Oral argument on this Motion is not requested.

**DATED** this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served on the following on this  $30^{th}$  day of August, 2021, by the following method:

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